MY MOTHER'S HANDS.

- Such beautiful, beautiful hands!
 They're beither white nor small;
 And you, I know, would scarcely think
 That they are fair at all.
 I've looked on hands whose form and hue
 A sculp or's dream might be;
- Yet are those ag d, wrinkled hands

 Most beautiful to me. Such beautiful, beautiful hands! Though heart were weary and sad.
 Those patient hands keep toiling on,
 That the children may be glad.
 I always weep, as looking back
 To childhood's distant day.
 I think how those hands rested not,
 When mine were at their play.
- Such beautiful, beautiful hands! They're growing feeble new, For time and pain have left their mark On hands, and heart, and brow.
 Alas! slas! the neuring time, And the sad, sad day to me, 'When 'neath the daisies, out of sight,
- These hands will folded be. But ch, beyond this shadow land, Where all is bright and mir, I know full well these dear old hands Will palms of victory bear and Where crystal streams through endless years
- Flow over golden sands, And where the old grow young again, I'll clasp my mother's hands.

The Blowing Up of Hell Gate.

NEW YORK, September 24.- With a Reef, at Hell Gate, was demolished this afternoon. The triumph of American engineering accomplished by Gen. Jno. Newton was complete, in the precise time and manner intended, and

without a single accident. WA About 12 o'clock streams of pedestrians were wending their way across the city to points of observation on the East Side. A vast number of strangers came to see what every body expected of the luckless tramp. streets and avenues from which a view could be had were swarming with pec-ple and the house-tops along East Side were crowded. Thousands of vehicles of every description filled the heights ped on the platform. and cross streets. Great alarm prevailed among the residents of First Avenue and the cross streets from Forty-second to Ninetieth Street, and some houses were entirely deserted by their residents, through fear of rocks being hurled across the river, or a huge wave being caused by the upheaval. Every house in the vicinity had its doors and windows open as a matter of precantion, but the great mass of peoplin a bewildered tone, "blest if I didn't ple had no fe irs whatever, and specta-think that yer swum through ther lake!" tors swormed the piers and low grounds directly in line with the rock, where they tramp still lived and was water-proof. might have been drowned by thousands

in case of a wave. The police lined First and Second Avenues, and were stationed amongst the crowds on the rocks to be available in case of a panic. A bird's-eye view of the point of interest was had by some 12,000 or 13,000 people, at the heights between Ninety- passengers, she exhibited symptoms of second and Ninety-sixth Streets and at impatience at the slow progress made Third Avenue, where there are no houses. Directly opposite across the river was Hallett's Point, and the timbers and shanties at the opening of the shaft, nearly midway in the river; but a trifle to the north was Little Island, with its boat-house, and a few hundred yards to the south, Little Rock, surmounted by an advertising board. The rock to be blasted lay beneath the surface, between Little Island and Hallett's Point. The Government scow and the Police and Emigration Board steamer, and hundreds of barges and rowboats

lay between New York and Ward's

Island, about opposite One Hundred

and Tenth Street. At 2 o'clock a faint puff of smoke arose from the scow, followed by the report of the first gun, and there was an instant commotion, the crowds swaying about in fresh eagerness to get a good stand-point. Ten minutes later another report, and a deep hush fell upon the multitude. The stillness was unbroken from then until the third gun, at 2:50, which was followed, at precisely 2:51, by the explosion. In a straight and seemingly narrow line, running north and south for about 300 yards, the water whitened and arose even three or four feet. A high, dull thud was heard, and the rocks trembled beneath the feet of the multitude as if firm, quick, short pulsations of an earthquake. The water, which appeared to remain stationary for an instant, broke and spurted up in irregular, dark yellowish masses, about 12 feet high, mixed with dark smoke from the dynamite, then it fell back, and in a moment the river resumed its usual peaceful aspect. Then a mighty cheer arose from all the northeast side of the city, and from the

joyously, and all was over. and not so much as a ripple was caused focation in his ice chest, published in upon the water, save just over the spot the Woonsocket Patriot, has been read where the explosion took place. There with absorbing interest. An escape so was no concession in the air, and not a miraculous, and all through supernatpane of glass was broken in the city or ural intervention, coming through the on Ward's Island.

steamers and boats, and steam whistles

dreds of row boats set out at their best ual nature, and the agency of those inspeed for Hell Gate, each anxious to telligences who are no longer dwellers ed in all its foulness. When a fire burns have the honor of first passing over the upon the earth. We have made diliscene of the explosion. That the work | gent inquiries into the matter, and have was effectually done is the gen- gathered the following additional facts of the curious gather round and try to eral feeling, and this also appears from connected with it? The young lad, the fact that the police-boat passed over Adolphus Washington Hall, did not the spot safely. Ward's Island was condream that his father was in the ice-sidered a favorite place to view the exby the police-boat Seneca and the boat of the Commissioners of Emigration were very numerous, but the invitations issued were limited to a select port of the Commissioners of Emigration that morning, and as his father cleanly exceptions—the restaurants, and did not return to the house to administer it, he became solicitous for his safetime very numerous, but the invitations issued were limited to a select port of the commissioners of Emigration that have been solicitous for his safetime very numerous, but the invitations issued were limited to a select port of the commissioners of Emigration that have been solicitous for his safetime very numerous, but the invitations is such as the province of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the price of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the province of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the province of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the province of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the province of the rich merchants' stores, some few of the rich merchants' stores, for instance; but there is no danger of darkening the province of the rich merchants' stores, some few of the rich merchants' s plosion, and the applications to go there | ping that morning, and as his father issued were limited to a select party of Hall, the butcher, was not in the ice-

explosion was from Hoyt's Place, some other chest. He is not a butcher. 700 yards east of Hallett's Point. The He has no sor—by his present wife. He ground is high and Hell Gate did not doesn't reside in Franklin; and we don't appear more than 200 yards away. It know where he "hangs out." was from this point that Gen. Newton and the telegraphic operators sent the electric fluid rushing into the mine. lately commissioned three priests to

being lifted about two inches. sound of the explosion was not loud, but trembling and deep. A cloud of yellow smoke followed the rocks, and in ten seconds the water had become again level, no trace being left but a large yellow space, caused by mud and other substances thrown up out of the works, It was found that the cofferdam which surrounded the shaft was entirely gone, and a small house which stood close by the shaft was thrown a distance of 10 feet, but all the other

The affair was a complete success, and the whole reef was blown up. The tide has materially changed by the explosion, and now the current sets directly on Big and Little Mill Rocks. They will have to be exploded next.

buildings were just as before the explo-

A Water-Proof Tramp.

He was a tramp, bound Chicagoward, and as he boarded the couplers at the rear of an incoming engine, just across the line in Indiana, one recent dark and chilly night, he had faith to believe that he had a "soft thing" of it for a cheap ride. But the conductor, with his eagle eye and railway lantern, soon espied the moneyless passenger on his uneushionlight tremor of the earth throughout ed and comfortless seat. Did he order the city, and the upheaval of two col-umns of water, accompanied with a He let him remain, while on and on considerable quantity of rock, which went the train, from station to station, all fell into the river, Hallett's Point until it reached a great tank where the

until it reached a great tank where the engines stop to "water up."
"Now for him," groaned the heartless conductor, as he passed to the front.
"Now for him," he maliciously continued, as he grasped the water-trough

from the fireman's hands and directed it over the back end of the engine.

But when that conductor drave into the depot in the early morning there was a surprise in store for him. "Be you the conductor?" inquired a

shivering voice at his elbow, as he step-

covered man. "Then I want ter ask yer why yer

comin' inter town?"

"I do," said the conductor. "Yer do?" exclaimed the man.

"Certainly," was the reply. "Wal, I gosh!" muttered the stranger Then the conductor knew that his

-Chicago Journal.

Her Impatience.

As a Woodward Avenue car was going north, the other evening, with a young lady and an old gentleman as sole impatience at the slow progress made. The car had to halt for a team on the the juice without pressure, weigh it, and track, and she would have got off but for the gentleman, who said:

"It's for only half a minute-don't

be impatient." Then the car waited two minutes on

seem so impatient that I am'led to believe that some of your family are sick.

"They are all unusually well," she replied, as she took her seat again. One block more and the car left the track. She waited half a minute to see if it could be hauled on again right

away, and then she started to go. "It will be all right in a minute,"

protested the old gentleman. "Can't see it," she curtly replied.

"Then you will go?" "I will."

"And it isn't sickness?"

better?"

troit Free Press.

One by One the Roses Fall.

Another pleasant story has been rudely swept away. The Franklin (Mass.) were blown, and bells were rung out Journal does it. It says: The thrilling account of the escape of Mr. Hall, a The report was scarcely noticeable, butcher in this town, from death by sufdream of a little boy, awakes new intercity officials and politicians. chest, nor were his sufferings so protract-Probably the finest view of the whole ed as stated. He has no ice-chest or any

Suddenly a cloud of water, turned into cross the Great Desert to Timbuctoo, fact. A fellow came in and paid me a

"SEASONABLE RECEIPES.

Small Corn Cakes to bake on a grid-dle are excellent made with 1 pint of buttermilk, 1 pint of meal, 1 egg, 1 teaspoonful soda, salt; bake I hour. Waffles. To 1 quart of milk add 4 of M beaten eggs, 1 tablespoonful of melted into

warm add 3 eggs, the whites and yelks beaten separately, stirring in alternately with the eggs, 4 pound sifted flour. Beat well after adding 2 tablespoonfuls yeast. Set to rise, and bake on a hot griddle.

Simple Cosmetic. 1 pound of white soap; melt over a slow fire, with 1 gill of sweet oil; add 1 teacupful of clear white sand (sea sand, if it can be had). and stir till color This simple and cheap cosmetic has been used by many ladies remarkable for the delicate softness and whiteness of their hands.

Icing for Cakes .- To & pound of fine sifted sugar put the whites of 2 eggs beaten with a little orange-flower water, or simple water, and strain. tricts of North and Tropical America air and smooth. Lay the icing equally over large cakes with a flat spoon. Large cakes should be cold when iced.

Salad Sauce .- 2 hard-boiled eggs. and 2 raw ditto mashed smooth, toand pepper to make it pretty sharp. This is a good mixture for cold potatoes cut up with a little chopped parsley.

Indian-Meal Bannock .- Heat 1 quart of milk; when it boils pour it over 1 good pint of corn meal, in which 1 would be a magnificent spectacle; streetcars going up town were loaded with
citizens, and First and Second Avenues,
as viewed from the heights, were black
with pedestrians moving toward Ninetieth Street. About 2 o'clock cross

of the luckless tramp.

All grew still and the conductor ordered his train on its way, convinced
that he had drowned the tramp, or
as least flooded him so far away that
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that he had drowned the tramp, or
at least flooded him so far away that
be could never get back again.

But when that conductor drove into bake it at once. Speed is every thing in making this cake successful.

Salve for Chapped Hands .- The following is a well tested remedy for chapped hands and sores of this nature: Put together equal weights of fresh, unsalt-"Yes," said he, looking around and ed butter, tallow, beeswax, and stoned gazing upon a bedraggled and cinder-raisins. Simmer until the raisins are done to a crisp, but not burned. Strain They act specifically on the liver, stomach and bowand pour into cups to cool. Rub the els, causing a free flow of gastric juice, which is esdon't run around the end of the lake in | hands thoroughly with it, and, though | sential to good digestion they will smart some at first, they will soon feel comfortable, and heal quickly.

Nourishing Beef Tea. - Where there is great weakness and little power of taking nourishment, make it thus: pound of beef, I pound of veal cleared from all fat, skin, etc., and cut up, placed with a little salt in a pipkin, der, and stewed till all the fiber is dissolved; season according to taste, but do not give more than a small glassful

Quince Jelly .- Peel, cut up, and core some fine ripe quinces. Put them in sufficient cold water to cover them, and stew gently till soft, but not red. Strain to every pound of juice allow 1 pound of crushed sugar; boil the juice for 20 minutes, add the sugar and boil again till it jellies-about 1 hour-stir and skim well all the time. Strain it again a switch, and she put her head out of through a napkin, or twice-folded musthe window, walked up and down, and lin, pour into pots or molds, and when was on the platform, when he said: "There comes the other car. You fruit can be made into marmalade with a pound of sugar, and a pound of juicy apples to every pound of quinces, or it can be made into compotes or tarts.

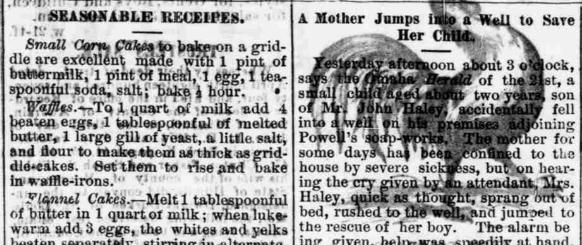
Chinese Squalor in San Francisco.

Individually, John Chinaman is a clean human; collectively, he is a beast. Ah stue, the cook, keeps his coppers hands in going from dish to dish, is orarrayed in spotless white and blue. Follow him home, and you will find "See here," she said, standing on the this cleanly unit become one of a herd ower step, "if you are dying to know of animals living in a state of squalor the cause of my hurry I will tell you. and filth at which even a Digger Indian My fellow is to be at my house at half- would shudder. Fifteen Chinamen will past 8, and I'm not going to run the live, sleep and cook in a hovel or cellar risk of losing a good offer for all the old | 12 feet square, having only a door as a men and all the street cars in Detroit. means of admitting light and air. There! does that make you feel any | Clouds of rancid smoke issue continually from the common chimney, win-He pondered over it as the car lewed dow and door, through which John and around and bounced and bobbed, and his fellows may dimly be seen crawling, he concluded that she was perfectly cooking, smoking and sleeping, for correct, though a little impudent .- De- when Coo ee has nothing to do he generally crawls into his hole to sleep or smoke. The large companies' boarding-houses are no better. Every story is refloored and made into two, and often three, the standard height of a room being a trifle over or under five feet. Clean at first, the building soon becomes grimy, and then black, and then dirt-encrusted from cellar to roof. Once occupied by Chinese, a building must always remain a pest-hole or be torn down. Under the sidewalks, under stair-cases, in cramped bunks, and on rickety platforms John lives, and, it is repeated, thrives. It is only to the Immediately after the explosion hun- est in those matters of an higher spirit- adventurous and strong-stomached that a fair picture of Chinese life is presentthis vile quarter, then it is that groups of the curious gather round and try to believe that they live within a block of Broker, Rensselaer, Ind. out a hole, and lays open a section of these rookeries and slums, where there is no difference between the blackness of the charred beam and that of the sleeping-holes. Of course there are darkening the picture overmuch; and Chinatown, lying in the heart of San derence, cash. J. O. HABBIS, Ottawa, La Salle Co., Ill. Chinatown, lying in the heart of San Francisco, is a miracle of human uncleanness, and a wonder of filth. San Franciscans have much cause to be thankful for the long season of purging trade-winds .- Scribner's for October.

-"Yes," he observed, musingly; white spray, shot up just off Hallett's Point. This was followed by a cloud of black smoke, rocks and lumber, and at the same moment a heavy shock ran through the ground, and gave one the impression of companions plundered and dispersed.

Timouctoo, Inct. A fellow came in and paid me a quarter he owed me this morning, and ly to collect information with regard to the chances are good for selling my dog the chances are good for selling my dog the largest selection and finest bargains by addended the country and its inhabitants. The intelligence has now come that they brightening up visibly," and he went over and got trusted for three 25-cent cigars, straight off.

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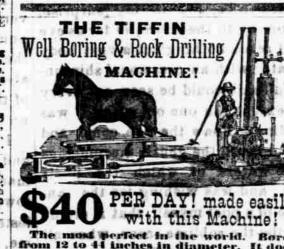
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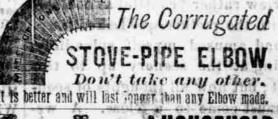
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